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TEN CENTS A WEEK

THREE LOSE LIVES IN TRAIN CRASH

Theatre Train Strikes Chicago
Street Car.

TWELVE PERSONS ARE INJURED

Pennsylvania Railroad Train Running
at 20 Miles an Hour Crashes Into
Street Car with Fatal Results—Car
Crew Arrested.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—A theater train on the Pennsylvania railroad running at 20 miles an hour, crashed into a crowded street car in South Chicago Sunday night, instantly killing three persons and injuring twelve.

The killed and injured were occupants of the street car.

The engine and first coach of the passenger train left the rails and were overturned. The dead:

Mrs. W. M. Bacon, of South Chicago; Minnie Warsuel, 12 years old, of Chicago.

Miss Sadie Lucy.

The injured included the following: J. E. Mack, Edward M. Day, C. R. Bollard, Mrs. Blanche Warsuel, Mrs. Louise Lucy and W. B. Lynch, all of Chicago.

The passenger was a local leaving Chicago at 11:34 p. m. for East Chicago, Ind.

The passenger coaches were well filled with passengers who were thrown into a panic by the collision. The street car was hurled into the air, overturned and ground to pieces before the locomotive.

The crash came almost without a warning, and but few occupants of the street car had an opportunity to leap from the car before it was struck.

The passengers of the railroad train hurried to the assistance of those imprisoned in the debris and began the work of rescue.

Calls for assistance went to the nearest police station and physicians were summoned to relieve the wounded.

The crew of the street car were put under arrest.

Ran from Surgeons.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from New Orleans, La., says that after having been placed on the operating table at the Charity hospital to undergo an operation which was supposed to mean life or death to him, Joseph Donahue broke away from the surgeons and nurses, sprang from the table, climbed a ladder to a skylight, which he smashed, and was chased about the roof of the building before he was captured. Although several bones were broken and he was internally injured, the patient had great strength, and the attendants had great difficulty in overpowering him.

Lost Life Under Ice.

New York, Feb. 13.—While ice yachting on the Navesink river, N. J., Chas. Hendrickson, a Fairhaven boy, lost his life by the boat breaching through the ice. He was with his brother Benjamin, who sailed the boat. When the yacht broke through the thin spot, the boy fell into the water and went under the ice. Benjamin saved himself by clinging to the windward runner, which continued to remain on the ice and was rescued by men in a boat. The body of Charles was recovered. The drowned boy was 17 years old.

Trial Will Last Six Weeks.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 13.—The trial of Greene and Cooper extends upon its sixth week. The most notable expressions of opinion of counsel for the government, as well as the defense, indicate that it will continue at least six weeks longer. The prosecution has been made during the previous weeks than ever. It has been the earlier stages of the trial.

Serious Fight in Serbia.

Belgrade, Serbia, Feb. 13.—A serious fight has occurred in the Balkans between Turkish troops and two Serbian bands near the village of Nis. Dragomir Chelapich, the Turke, who were the attackers, lost forty men killed or wounded. The Serbians lost eighteen killed or wounded.

FOLK STATES CONVICTIONS.

Concerning Abolition of Personal Taxes in Missouri.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from Jefferson City, Mo., says:

Governor Folk has issued an explicit statement of his convictions concerning the abolition of personal taxes in Missouri and the shifting of a large part of the burden upon the big corporations. He said:

"It is asserted by some persons that the removal of state taxes from personal property, thus placing upon real estate and corporate monopolies, the burden of government, would benefit the rich at the expense of the poor.

"On the contrary, in proportion to property the personal property tax (and by personal property is not meant corporate franchises and privileges), falls heaviest on the poor and the honest.

"Every farmer, under the present system, pays on every cow, horse and hog; every widow or orphan whose estate must go through the probate court, must pay in full, while too often the man of wealth, having his personal property in such shape it cannot be reached, pays practically nothing. Some persons object to corporations and real estate bearing the burdens of state government, but the state gives to corporations, which are artificial creatures of the state, rights and privileges which the ordinary citizen does not enjoy, and it is just that the state should receive full return in the way of powers granted."

PUTNAM WANTS WHITE LABOR.

Mass Meeting Called to Remedy Present Labor Conditions.

Evanton, Ga., Feb. 13.—With a view of devising ways and means of solving the present unsatisfactory labor conditions in the county, a mass meeting has been called for next Tuesday at the court house here.

Hon. John T. Dennis, who has of late given the matter much thought, will be present to lay before the people some definite and important data relating to the importation of white laborers, both for farm and household purposes. He has had correspondence with a number of leading immigration agencies in the United States, with the result that he feels much encouraged to press the movement.

He says a good class of immigrants can be secured from New York as farm laborers for reasonable wages, and at a low rate of transportation. All that is now needed to make the movement a success is proper encouragement from those in need of farm and domestic help. Quite a dozen families in town have already assured him of their purpose to employ white servants if they can be had at a reasonable cost, all things considered.

The condition of labor in this county, miserable as it is, is daily growing worse, and in consequence the passive desire to make a change, even though it be an experiment, is rapidly ripening into definite action.

Macon Man Shoots Himself.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 13.—While seated alone in the assembly room at police headquarters, C. H. License, Inspector W. C. Donahue shot himself into the left temple. He is now at the hospital. All necessary is doubtful. A few months ago he was arrested in one of his faces and he lived in constant dread of a second stroke. It is thought this produced melancholia.

Charged with Murder.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 13.—A charge of murder was laid against the former convict, John J. Smith, of the Tennessee penitentiary, who was arrested Sunday night at Nashville. He was charged with the murder of a woman named Mary, who was found dead in a ditch near the city. Smith was arrested by the police and is now in the city jail.

Section of T. way Inaugurated.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—The first section of the new T. way, which will connect the city with the lake, was inaugurated today. The new way will be a great benefit to the city, as it will shorten the distance between the city and the lake. The inauguration was attended by a large number of people, and the new way was opened with much fanfare.

MOB AT GADSDEN LYNCHES A NEGRO

Jelks Had Pardoned "Pai" For
Crime Against Woman.

TWO HAD BEEN EXECUTED.

Third Was Convicted and Sentenced to
Death, but Governor Had Doubts
of His Guilt and Gave Him a Life
Term Sentence.

Gadsden, Ala., Feb. 13.—Bunk Richardson, a negro charged with the murder and assault of Mrs. Sarah Smith here July 15th last, was forcibly taken from the jail here Sunday morning and hanged to the bridge of the Louisville and Nashville railroad across the Coosa river.

Twenty-four masked men went to the jail, overpowered the sheriff and jailor, and made short work of the prisoner. Four negroes were charged with the crime against Mrs. Smith, one of the most heinous ever committed in the state, two of whom have been legally executed.

The third, Will Johnson, was recently convicted, and sentenced to death, but last week Governor Jelks believing there was strong doubt of the prisoner's guilt, commuted the negro's sentence to life imprisonment.

Richardson, the man lynched, had not yet been indicted, but was in jail awaiting the action of the grand jury.

At the coroner's inquest, held to investigate the lynching, the city witnesses to testify were Sheriff Chandler and Jailer William Dixon, who said they were overpowered, and Police Officer Sam O. Brandon, who said he heard the shooting, and was ordered by the members of the mob to go back to town. The verdict of the coroner's jury was as follows:

"We find that the deceased, Bunk Richardson, came to his death by strangulation from hanging, or a wound in the head, at the hands of a party or parties to us unknown."

To Prosecute Lynchers.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 13.—Governor Jelks will use every power of his office to bring to justice the lynchers of Bunk Richardson, a negro, at Gadsden, Ala., last night. He left for New York, and on his return in about a week, he will offer rewards and do everything in his power to discover the lawbreakers and deal out to them every punishment for the offense.

Bullet Through His Heart.

Rockdale, Tex., Feb. 13.—Early on Sunday W. S. Poole was shot and killed by W. J. Harris. Both men were night watchmen and there has been some jealousy between them. The only eyewitness was Harris' son, aged 20. The two men were arrested and carried to Cameron to jail. According to the story told by Harris, Poole had been watching him in a manner which caused him to inquire the reason. He alleged that Poole then made a motion for his gun, whereupon he drew his own weapon, placed the muzzle against Poole's breast and sent a bullet through his heart.

Will Compete For Traffic.

London, Feb. 13.—The International Mercantile Marine company proposes to compete more actively for the Canadian trans-Atlantic traffic during the coming season. According to information received in British shipping circles, this will be done by strengthening the Dominion line controlled by the International Mercantile Marine company by the addition of a number of vessels, either newly constructed or transferred from the fleet now engaged in the traffic between Liverpool and the United States.

Automobile Races at Havana.

Havana, Feb. 13.—The two hundred mile automobile race began today in fine weather with the course being 99.9 miles, and with a large crowd present. Bertha driving an MG, and Lindley's 24-horse power machine, were the first lap, 51.07 miles, in 21 minutes.

NEGROES BATTLE IN CHURCH.

When Plates Were Passed for Collection Riot Started.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 13.—Internecine war which has been rampant in the congregation of St. James African Methodist Episcopal church, St. Paul, for several weeks, Sunday broke out into open riot.

The minister had just completed his sermon when minister and congregation engaged in a hand-to-hand contest over the collection, in which two of the trustees opposed to the minister and the minister himself were knocked down.

During the fight a riot call was sent in to a nearby police station and a patrol wagon full of bluecoats came to the rescue.

After the collection had been made the minister tried to take charge of one of the plates when R. C. Miner, trustee, who was holding it, objected. The Rev. Seymour landed a blow over Miner's eye and put him down. Robert Lowe, another trustee, holding a plate, felled the pastor with a blow behind the ear. Another trustee was knocked down in the confusion. By this time the entire congregation was in an uproar and each took sides. The excitement was at fever heat when the police arrived and cleared the church.

CANE GROWERS ELECT PURSE.

Well Known Georgian Again Chosen Head of This Body.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 13.—The convention of the Interstate Cane Growers' association, which was held here, has elected the following officers:

D. G. Purse, of Savannah, Ga., was unanimously re-elected president, and the other officers chosen are as follows:

First vice president, R. E. Rose, of Tallahassee, Fla.; treasurer, J. A. Holman, of Tallahassee, Fla.; secretary, T. O. Hoffman, Mobile, Ala.; assistant secretary, John W. Jackson, Palmetto, Fla.; assistant secretary, R. H. Ellis, Scranton, Miss.

Vice presidents by states are: Alabama, James B. Rowles, St. Stephens, Florida, J. K. McQuarrie, DeFuniak Springs; Georgia, George R. Youmans, Waycross; Louisiana, W. C. Stubbs, New Orleans; Mississippi, H. H. Overstreet, Hattiesburg.

The executive committee will decide the next place of meeting, and Tampa, Fla., stands the best chance, apparently, of securing the convention.

Charges Made Against Commander.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 13.—United States Marshal Morgan Treat and Commissioner Percy Stephenson have returned on the revenue cutter Windon from an expedition among the oyster dredging fleets in Chesapeake bay. While over 50 vessels were boarded and conditions indicative that captains in a number of instances were holding men in a state bordering upon slavery, only one arrest was made. W. E. Justice, master of the schooner Daniel, was taken into custody by a launch party in Maddox creek near Colonial beach. Thomas Cunningham, a member of his crew, charged Justice with cruel treatment.

Heavy Cotton Receipts.

Athens, Ga., Feb. 13.—The cotton receipts at this point for the present season have reached 76,000 bales. The total receipts for the season up to September 1st will probably be 85,000 bales, as against 93,000 for the preceding season.

Undertaker Takes His Life.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 13.—Morgan Lord, connected with the undertaking establishment of Harris & Son, committed suicide by shooting his brains out. Lord had been despondent for several days.

Longworth Reported Better.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Representative Longworth, of Ohio, who has been suffering with an attack of tonsillitis, was much improved Sunday. He ate dinner with the members of the household.

Will Bid for Convention.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 13.—Columbus will make a bid for the 1907 convention of the League of Georgia Municipalities. Mayor Chappell is one of the most prominent members of the league.

NINE AAE INJURED BY TRAIN DERAILMENT

Nashville and Chicago Limited
Meets With Accident.

RUNNING ON A STRAIGHT TRACK

Cause of the Derailment is Not as Yet
Known, But It Is Thought To Have
Been Some Obstruction on the Rails
Was Responsible.

Nashville, Feb. 13.—Northbound passenger train No. 26, known as the Nashville and Chicago limited, over the Illinois Central railroad, was derailed one mile north of Chapmanboro, 32 miles from Nashville, at 8:30 Sunday night and three trainmen and six passengers were injured.

The Injured:

James McGonigal, of Nashville; Miss Emma Nelson, of Clarksville, Tenn.

E. A. McAllister, of Boston; Tom Byers, of Clarksville, Tenn. Mrs. Byers, of Clarksville, Tenn.

Miss Ophelia Bledsoe, of Clarksville, Tenn.

E. E. Canfield, fireman. C. J. McGee, Nashville, engineer. S. H. Cherry, of Nashville, conductor.

The train is the fast train between Chicago and Nashville, and at the time of the wreck, was running on a stretch of straight track at the rate of thirty-eight miles an hour.

The engine, baggage car, smoker and first-class coach left the track and then rolled down the embankment. The sleeping coach remained on the track.

The wreck is thought to have been caused by some obstruction on the rails.

Italian Had a Bomb.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—An Italian, said by the police to be an agent of an Italian secret society, was arrested after a hard fight with detectives in the railroad yards of the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago railroad. A bottle of nitro-glycerine, a bomb six inches long, a double stiletto, a foot long, and six phials containing colored liquids of unknown composition, were taken from the man before he was locked up. Three companions of the Italian escaped capture.

"Poverty Parades" Waning.

London, Feb. 13.—There was another march of the "unemployed" through the streets of London Monday, with the object of impressing the new government and legislators, but the demonstration fell flat. The procession was hardly half the length of the previous dimensions and the attitude of the public towards the subscription collectors showed that interest in the "poverty parades" has been decidedly waning since they took a political character.

Mitchell in New York.

New York, Feb. 13.—President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, who arrived here late Sunday night from Indianapolis, and went to the Ashland house, will make his headquarters there during these meetings with the presidents of the coal carrying railroads. He will make his headquarters here in case an agreement is not reached with the companies until the present agreement expires on April 1st.

Bell Buys 'Phone System.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 13.—The Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company has acquired the independent telephone system at Rockingham and the service will be rearranged, improved and extended. The new system will be under the supervision of J. R. Maxwell, who has charge of the Laurinburg, Hamlet and Maxton exchanges.

Booker Washington Soaks.

New York, Feb. 13.—Booker T. Washington spoke Sunday before the White House Industrial association in this city. The association is a place for respectable negro girls seeking employment. It was crowded. There were many white people present.